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polypeptides, and nucleotide sequences that encode related fusion polypeptides or proteins, or functional equivalents thereof, are collectively referred to herein as "interferon-alpha homologues," "interferon homologue nucleic acids," "IFN-alpha homologues," "IFN homologues," "IFN nucleic acids," "interferon homologues," "interferon nucleic acids," "recombinant interferon-alpha," "recombinant interferon-alpha nucleic acids," "nucleic acids of the invention," "polynucleotides of the invention," or "nucleotides of the invention."

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